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The Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr.
Governor of California
State Capitol Building
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: **SB 244 (Wolk) – REQUEST FOR VETO**

Dear Governor Brown:

The County of San Bernardino respectfully requests that you veto SB 244, legislation that would require a city or county to review and update the land use element of its general plan to include an analysis of the presence of island, fringe, or legacy unincorporated communities.

This bill would also require the city or county planning agency, after the initial revision and update of the general plan, to review, and if necessary amend the general plan to update the information, goals, and program of action relating to these communities therein.

SB 244 imposes costs on cities and counties to identify, map, and describe every disadvantaged unincorporated community within the sphere of influence and perform an analysis of water, wastewater, stormwater drainage and structural fire protection needs. The bill further requires an analysis of possible financing alternatives to make the improved infrastructure and services feasible. This bill creates exceptional challenge to the County of San Bernardino as the largest County in the contiguous United States, spanning over 20,000 square miles. By adding to the duties of city and county officials, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

For these reasons, the County of San Bernardino respectfully request that you veto SB 244. If you have any questions, please contact Josh Candelaria, Deputy Director of Legislative Affairs, at (909) 387-4280.

Sincerely,

JOSIE GONZALES, CHAIR
Board of Supervisors

The mission of the government of the County of San Bernardino is to satisfy its customers by providing service that promotes the health, safety, well being, and quality of life of its residents according to the County Charter, general laws, and the will of the people it serves.